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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MPOL, FR, CH
SUBJ: VISIT OF CHINESE GENERAL CHANG AL-PING TO
FRANCE

REF: MOSCOW 13429

1. QUAI DESK OFFICER FOR CHINA HAS DENIED PRESS REPORTS
THAT GENERAL CHANG AL-PING WAS ON AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO
FRANCE, OR THAT SECRET MILITARY TALKS BETWEEN CHINA
AND FRANCE TOOK PLACE DURING THIS VISIT, AS ALLEGED
BY TASS.

2. ACCORDING TO SOURCE, GENERAL CHANG ONLY HAD A THREE
DAY TRANSIT VISA FOR FRANCE WHICH WAS ISSUED AT
CHANG'S REQUEST FOR THE PURPOSE OF RESTING HERE ENROUTE
FOR OFFICIAL VISITS TO SWEDEN, SWITZERLAND, AND ITALY.
SOURCE SAID CHANG IS FRIEND OF FRENCH CHIEF OF
STAFF GENERAL MERY FROM MERY'S 1976 TRIP TO CHINA;
CHANG SAW MERY WHILE HE WAS HERE, BUT
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NOBODY ELSE IN FRENCH GOVERNMENT.

3. COMMENT: IF GENERAL CHANG UNDERTOOK ANY OFFICIAL
ACTIVITIES WHILE HERE IN FRANCE, QUAI IS EITHER UNAWARE
OR NOT SAYING.
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